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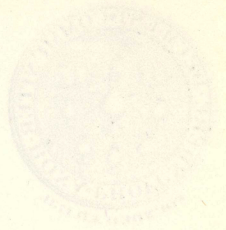
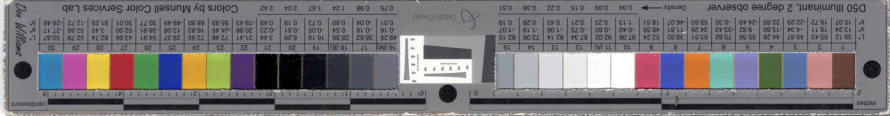
Report to Committee on Ridgway Branch.
Buckley Mitchell Hutchinson

The Cash Balance of the Ridgway Branch at the close of this financial year - say 25 April - will be about \$7,000. -. Details in Treasurer's Report.

Mr Alexander Biddle has notified me that Mrs Biddle, one of the annuitants under Dr Rush's will, will be in Europe on the 23 May when her semi-annual payment is due, and that she will therefore not be entitled to it.

The will provides that if any annuitants leave this country to go abroad "the several half yearly payments becoming due during their absence shall fall into and become a part of my residuary estate." The amount that will thus accrue to the Library will be \$900. -. .

Mr John A. McAllister has presented the Library with about 50 maps on rollers, charts and atlases. I propose with the approbation of the Committee to devote the "Gentleman's Room"



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on the first floor entirely to maps, of which in some departments our collection is the best outside of the British Museum. Our set of Phila. ^{for example} maps is practically complete, and that of Pennsylvania attases and maps nearly so. I ask permission to have a case put up in that room for the accommodation of maps on rollers, and also to have shelves made for attases &c. The total cost will be about \$100. -, the janitor doing the work.

Also to have the counter and the green table in the main hall covered with ^{leather or} imitation leather, in order to save wear and tear of books. This is a matter in regard to which the British Museum is very particular, as it is a great saving of bindings. The cost would be about \$50. - to \$75. - Plan enclosed.

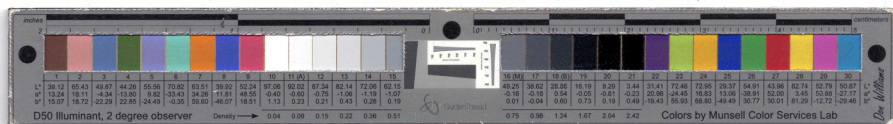
Also I ask permission to bind a number of illustrated maps in numbers forming part of Dr. Rush's library. The cost would be about \$25. -

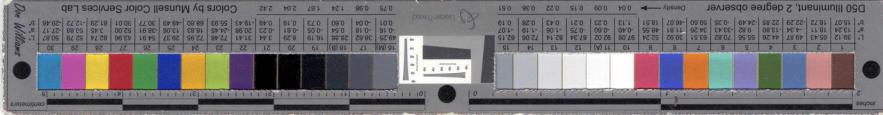
Since the last Report articles of Mr. Rush's furniture have been sold to the amt. of \$765 - making a total of \$2918. - There remain to be sold \$1,932. - Reserved by committee \$375. - Total inventory & appraisement \$5,225. -

The work of making a drain for the Janitor's House is going on.

The contractor has not yet begun caulking the joints of the platform, doubtless owing to the weather.

Respectfully Submitted Lloyd P. Lucitt





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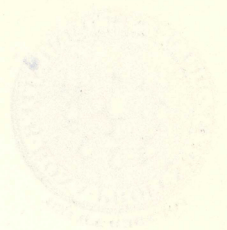
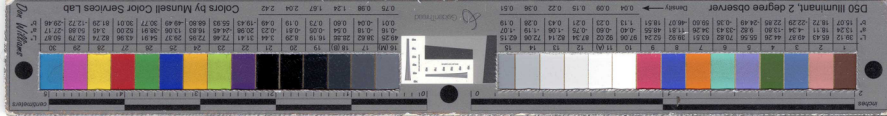
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Report to the Book Committee

^{Willing have Crawford Porter & Hubbard}
We from A. McAllister has presented to the
Ridgway Library without conditions about fifty maps
and charts, 45 vols of newspapers and periodicals,
and about 30 vols of miscellaneous books, being in
part the same as those he offered in exchange
for two of our duplicates. The volumes of hymns
and prayer-books are not included.

The Boston Public Library & the Library of
Harvard College, in issuing their occasional
Bulletins of new books, are accustomed to add
complete lists of books on special subjects, which are
highly valued by students and bibliographers.
An opportunity is now offered for this Library to
imitate their example. Mr Wildetum has
prepared a list of all known works relating to
Philadelphia from the beginning to 1776, and
he will cheerfully furnish it to us for
publication in our July Bulletin, if the
Committee approve. The expense would be

Approved



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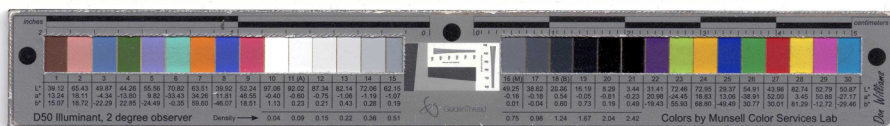
about \$⁺. As our Bulletin goes out regularly
to about 200 of the principal Libraries of the
world, such a publication would be both useful
and creditable to the Library Co.

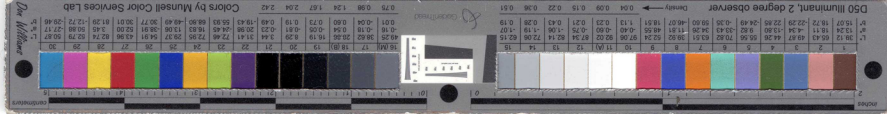
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I submit herewith a Catalogue of all the
official reports of the Zoological Surveys of the
Several States & Territories, such as we have being
ticked in the margin. I ask permission to pick
up from time to time, as opportunity offers, such
as we yet lack, provided they can be got at a
moderate price.

* Mr. Hildeburn has not yet furnished me with an estimate
of the expense, but he proposes to publish his list in parts,
the titles being arranged chronologically. The expense of the
first Part containing the oldest and most important titles,
would be about \$25—. The publication could be stopped at
any time.

Respectfully Submitted

Lloyd L. Smith
Librarian





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Committee
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